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MEMORANDUM FOR THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL:

The members of the United States Advisory Commission on Information are appointed by the President of the United States and they report directly to the Congress. This report was actually made to the Congress in January and has been in the public domain since then. It is, essentially, a piece of salesmanship directed at larger congressional appropriations for USIA. The committee's report nowhere mentions CIA or any other intelligence agencies. It would be inappropriate, I believe, for the DCI to make any comment, critical or constructive, on this document which is now a public record and which, of course is by a Presidentially appointed group. The sending of this pamphlet is, I believe, an act of courtesy and the Director should acknowledge receipt and thank the committee for sending him a copy of the report. Further than that he should not go.

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